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Title: A PRINTING MEMBER HAVING A TRANSFERRED IMAGE AND A

METHOD FOR FABRICATING IT

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTIONS REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Election/Restrictions Requirement dated January 6, 2009 issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the January 6, 2009 Office Action is due February 6, 2009. Accordingly, this Response is being timely filed. APPLICANT(S): BIEBER, Avigdor et al.

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Applicants elect to prosecute claims 31-38 of Group II drawn to methods of forming an imaged lithographic printing plate.

Claims 22-30 and 39-50 of Groups I, II and IV are withdrawn at this time. Applicants reserve all rights in these non-elected claims to file divisional and/or continuation patent applications.

With regard to the species election, claims 23-24, directed to a non-elected invention, read on species a)-c), respectively, and claims 26-28, directed to a non-elected invention, read on species x)-z), respectively. As the elected claims are 31-39, no further election is required.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments as to this response, the undersigned may be contacted at the address and telephone number below.

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